

**Federal Communications Commission
Indian Telecommunications Initiatives
Regional Workshop and Roundtable
San Diego, California
July 27 and 28, 2006**

Agenda

July 27, 2006

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| 7:30 – 8:15 | Registration |
| 8:15 – 8:30 | Opening Invocation |
| 8:30 – 9:15 | Welcoming Remarks

Monica Desai
Chief, Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau

Denis Turner (Rincon Band of Luiseno Indians)
Executive Director, Southern California Tribal Chairmen’s Association (SCTCA)

Joe Garcia (Ohkay Owingeh) (INVITED)
Governor, Ohkay Owingeh
President, National Congress of American Indians |
| 9:15 – 10:30 | <u>FCC Regulatory Update:</u> Discussion of FCC programs, rules and policies affecting communities and consumers in Indian Country.

Thomas Buckley
Legal Counsel, Wireline Competition Bureau, FCC

David Furth
Associate Bureau Chief, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, FCC

Michael Carowitz
Chief of Staff, Enforcement Bureau, FCC

Michael Wagner
Assistant Division Chief, Audio Services Division, Media Bureau, FCC |
| 10:30 – 10:45 | Break |
| 10:45 – 11:45 | <u>Wireless Spectrum Acquisition and Regulation:</u> The FCC’s spectrum auction processes and strategies for secondary markets (including partitioning, disaggregation and leasing), unlicensed spectrum, and emerging technologies.

David Furth
Associate Bureau Chief, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, FCC

Lauren VanWazer
Special Counsel to Chief, Office of Engineering and Technology, FCC |
| 11:45 – 1:15 | Lunch |

1:15 – 2:15 **Promoting Broadband in Indian Country:** Viewpoints of tribal planners and government representatives on implementing community-responsive service strategies.

Matt Rantanen (Cree)
Director of Technology, SCTCA Tribal Digital Village

Ben Standifer (T’Ohono O’odham Nation)
Director of Information and Technology, T’Ohono O’odham Nation

Steve Grey (Dine’)
Chairperson, Navajo Nation Telecommunication Regulatory Commission

2:15 – 3:15 **Developing Broadband in Indian Country:** A discussion of technology options and infrastructure deployment plans.

Matt Rantanen (Cree)
Director of Technology, SCTCA Tribal Digital Village

Brandon Stephens (Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians)
Planner/Grant Writer, Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

Valerie Fast Horse (Coeur d’Alene Tribe)
Council Woman, Coeur d’Alene Tribe
Director, Information Technology Department, Coeur d’Alene Tribe
Co-Chair, Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians Telecom and Utilities Subcommittee

3:15 – 3:30 Break

3:30 – 5:00 Roundtable Discussion

5:00 – Site visits

Friday, July 28th

9:00 – 9:15 Dan Gonzalez
Chief of Staff,
Office of Chairman Kevin Martin, FCC

9:15 – 10:30 **Business Planning for Tribal Telecom:** A discussion of funding options for building and sustaining a viable telecommunications system.

Madonna Yawakie (Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa)
President & CEO, Turtle Island Communications, Inc.

Bill Larget (Ojibwa, Keweenaw Bay Indian Community)
Small Business Administration, Tribal Office

Harry Hutson
General Field Representative, Rural Utilities Service, USDA

Pam Gallant
Director, Low Income Programs, Universal Service Administration Company

Susan White

10:30 – 10:45	Break
10:45 – 11:00	Jonathan S. Adelstein Commissioner, FCC
11:00 – 12:30	Roundtable Discussion
12:30 – 1:45	Lunch
1:45 – 2:45	<p><u>Broadcast Radio in Indian Country:</u> Broadcast radio policy, the acquisition of spectrum and issues arising in developing and operating broadcast radio outlets in Indian Country.</p> <p>Michael Wagner Assistant Division Chief, Audio Services Division, Media Bureau, FCC</p> <p>Loris Taylor (Hopi Tribe) Executive Director, Center for Native American Public Radio (CNAPR)</p> <p>Peggy Berryhill (Muscogee [Creek] Nation) Director of Station Services and Planning, CNAPR</p>
2:45 – 3:45	<p><u>Tribal Television Development</u> : Television regulatory overview, acquisition of spectrum, and issues encountered in the development of tribal television outlets.</p> <p>Michael Wagner Assistant Division Chief, Audio Services Division, Media Bureau, FCC</p> <p>Linda White Wolf Arizona Native News, KAZ-TV</p>
3:45 – 4:00	Break
4:00 – 5:00	Round Table Discussion
5:00 – 5:30	Wrap Up and Next Steps
	Monica Desai Chief, Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau
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